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**From:** Casteel, Sue  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 29, 2013 3:27 PM  
**To:** Davis, Anita; Jardine, Rick; Harper, Greg  
**Cc:** Safay, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: 35th Avenue Superfund Site

Anita,

I haven't heard from the Jefferson County Health Department regarding blood lead testing at the 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue Superfund Site. I will let you know as soon as I hear their decision.

I discussed blood lead testing at the 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue Superfund Site with Bob Safay. At this time ATSDR does not have funding available to pay for laboratory testing of blood samples. Therefore the only viable option we have to conduct blood lead testing is utilization of the Lead Care Analyzer. Bob Safay, the Region 4 Regional Director, has spoken to Rick Gillig, the Eastern Branch Chief, who has spoken to Dr. Tina Forrester, the Division Director. They have advised that the Jefferson County Health Department must take the lead on this project because ATSDR does not have IRB approval for the project. ATSDR can loan the county our equipment, and greet people at the door of the testing event. ATSDR staff cannot conduct testing or interpret data without IRB approval.

Per your question regarding the IRB approval process, Bob Safay is the first person in the decision tree, followed by Rick Gillig, and then Tina Forrester.

I hope this information will be useful to you. Please call Bob Safay or myself if you would like to discuss.

Sue

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**From:** Davis, Anita  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 29, 2013 11:53 AM  
**To:** Casteel, Sue; Jardine, Rick; Harper, Greg  
**Cc:** Safay, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: 35th Avenue Superfund Site

Sue,  
 What is the plan B if they decide not to participate and how long before they make a decision? Please tell me who is in the decision tree for your IRB and outline your approval process.

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**From:** Casteel, Sue  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 29, 2013 11:19 AM  
**To:** Davis, Anita  
**Cc:** Safay, Robert  
**Subject:** 35th Avenue Superfund Site

Anita,

Per our conversation, I requested Jefferson County Health Department provide the percent of children screened for blood lead levels and the percent of EBL children in zip code 35207, the zip code in which the 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue Superfund Site is located. I requested the latest 5 years of data to get an idea of how EBL levels have trended.

I also provided information on utilizing the Lead Care Analyzer to conduct blood lead screening of children in the superfund site. ATSDR can provide the machine and reagents to conduct screening blood lead testing. The county health department would be responsible for providing staff to conduct the actual testing because if I conduct the testing ATSDR IRB approval will be required. It can take a long period of time to get IRB approval, and I don't want to delay testing if possible. I am awaiting a response from the health department to see if they are interested in pursuing this testing option.

If you would like to discuss this further please give me a call.

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